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Wednesday, 21 December 2016, 10 a.m.
New York

President:	Mr. González de Linares Palou	(Spain)
Members:	Angola	Mr. Casimiro
	China	Mr. Shen Bo
	Egypt	Mr. Aboulatta
	France	Mr. Lamek
	Japan	Mr. Bessho
	Malaysia	Mrs. Adnin
	New Zealand	Mrs. Schwalger
	Russian Federation	Mr. Safronkov
	Senegal	Mr. Ciss
	Ukraine	Mr. Yelchenko
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Rycroft
	United States of America	Mr. Klein
	Uruguay	Mr. Bermúdez
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Mr. Méndez Graterol

Agenda

Peace consolidation in West Africa

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The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

Peace consolidation in West Africa

The President (*spoke in Spanish*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

Following consultations among the members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on their behalf:

"The Security Council recalls the press statement of the Council members on 10 December 2016, and takes note of the communiqué of the Chairman of the African Union (AU) on 10 December 2016, as well as the joint communiqué of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission, the African Union Commission and the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (UNOWAS) on 10 December 2016 regarding the situation in the Islamic Republic of the Gambia (the Gambia).

"The Security Council welcomes and is encouraged by the decisions on the political situation in the Gambia of the fiftieth Ordinary Session of the ECOWAS Authority, held in Abuja on 17 December 2016, and the decisions of the AU Peace and Security Council at its six-hundred and forty-fourth meeting, held on 12 December 2016, and of the African Union to recognize Mr. Adama Barrow as President-elect of the Gambia.

"The Security Council reiterates its request to outgoing President Jammeh and the relevant Gambian authorities to fully respect the results of the presidential election of 1 December 2016, to respect the will of the Gambian people and to carry out a peaceful and orderly transition process, and to transfer power to President-elect Adama Barrow by 19 January 2017 in accordance with the Gambian Constitution. The Security Council further welcomes the decision of ECOWAS Heads of State to attend the 19 January inauguration of President-elect Barrow in Banjul.

"The Security Council commends the initiatives of ECOWAS, including the visit of an ECOWAS/United Nations high-level delegation to Banjul on 13 December 2016, led by Her Excellency Mrs. Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia and Chairperson of the ECOWAS Authority, aimed at ensuring a peaceful and orderly transition process in the Gambia.

"The Security Council welcomes the appointment by ECOWAS of His Excellency Mr. Muhammadu Buhari, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, as the Mediator in the Gambia, and His Excellency Mr. John Dramani Manama, President of the Republic of Ghana, as the Co-chair.

"The Security Council recalls its members' request that the security of President-elect Adama Barrow, and that of all Gambian citizens, be fully ensured, and supports the decision of the ECOWAS fiftieth session in this regard.

"The Security Council further requests that the Gambian defence and security forces demonstrate maximum restraint to maintain an atmosphere of calm in Banjul.

"The Security Council requests the Secretary-General, including through his Special Representative, in collaboration with the relevant regional and sub-regional organizations, to facilitate, as appropriate, political dialogue between the Gambian stakeholders in order to ensure a peaceful transition of power in the Gambia and in full respect of the outcome of the presidential election as recognized by ECOWAS and the AU, and to provide technical assistance to the ECOWAS mediation where required.

"In this regard, the Security Council emphasises the important role of Mr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, Special Representative of the Secretary General and Head of UNOWAS, in the current political situation in the Gambia.

"The Security Council further welcomes and reiterates its full support for the continued efforts of the AU and ECOWAS to promote peace, stability and good governance in the region.

"The security Council expresses its intention to continue to follow the situation in the Gambia closely."

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The meeting was called to order at 10.10 a.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation in the Middle East

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014) and 2258 (2015) (S/2016/1057)

The President (*spoke in Spanish*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2016/1077, which contains the text of a draft resolution submitted by the Egypt, New Zealand and Spain.

I wish to draw the attention of Council members to document S/2016/1057, which contains the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014) and 2258 (2015).

The Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Angola, China, Egypt, France, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Russian Federation, Senegal, Spain, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

The President (*spoke in Spanish*): The draft resolution received 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 2332 (2016).

The meeting rose at 10.15 a.m.